

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Upon further review it has been noted that claim 79 is an exact duplicate of claim 19 of U.S. Patent No. 6,023,683. Therefore, claim 79 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

The terminal disclaimer filed with the Amendment dated July 25, 2001, was filed in error and it is respectfully requested that the terminal disclaimer not be recorded .

New claim 80 is supported at least at specification page 16, lines 14-18 and page 20, line 15 et seq. New claim 81 is supported at least at specification page 18, line 32 et seq, new claims 82 is supported at least at specification page 15, lines 18-23, new claim 83 is supported at least at specification page 21, line 10 and new claim 84 is support at least at specification page 28, line 14, et seq.

Non-statutory Double Patenting Rejection of Claim 79 Over Claims 14-30 & 40-45 of U.S.

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Claim 79 has been canceled thereby mooting the rejection and the rejection, therefore, should be withdrawn.

New claims 80 - 84 are directed to subject matter that is not claimed by U.S. Pat. No. 6,023,683.

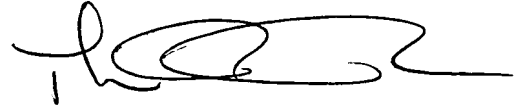
Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that pending claims 80 - 84 are directed to allowable subject matter, all objections and rejections stated in the outstanding Office Action have been overcome, and that the present application is now in condition for allowance. A notice of allowance is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number below.

If any fee is due it may be charged to the undersigned's deposit account 19-4375.

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